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NOTICE OF ORAL AND WRITTEN EX PARTE PRESENTATION

March 11, 2005

VIA ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Joint Petition of the Wyoming Public Service Commission and the Wyoming Office of Consumer Advocate for Supplemental Federal Non-rural Universal Service Support (CC Docket No. 96-45)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This morning, Denise Parrish, Deputy Administrator of the Wyoming Office of Consumer Advocate, met with Commissioner Baum, member of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, and Andrew Margeson, member of the Staff of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service.

During the course of that meeting, Ms. Parrish described the recent history of telecommunications price regulation in Wyoming, the rural nature of Wyoming, the establishment of Qwest's local exchange prices, the lack of comparability of Wyoming's telecommunications prices to the comparability benchmark most recently established by the FCC, and Wyoming's petition for supplemental federal universal service funds.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (307) 777-5717 or iwilli@state.wy.us if you have any questions about the foregoing.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ivan Williams".

Ivan Williams
Senior Attorney, Office of Consumer Advocate